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By a Student in the *Cœlestial* Sciences,  
and Professor of P.

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*To every Thing there is a Season, and a Time for  
every Purpose. Eccles. III. 2.*

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*Distat enim qua  
Sidera te excipiant modo primos incipientem  
Edere vagitus, & adhuc à Matre rubentem. Juvénal.*

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# To the READER.

**I** By my Observation, finding the Majority of Men so very unfortunate in these our Days, just as if they industriously chose an evil Time to act every considerable Enterprize therein: Being moved with Compassion to find them so very unfortunate, I have, according to the best of my Skill, given them here an Account of all the good and evil Days in this Year, hoping thereby to prove a Friend to the Unfortunate, who will be advis'd, by shunning the Evil, and imbracing the Good; not that I will warrant the latter to prove prosperous to all, no more than a wise Physician will, that all Medicines he gives to all, shall infallibly cure them, who are seiz'd by Death. As Job says, Thou hast set me my Bounds, which I cannot pass. This being spoken in the Plural Number, respects not Life and Wealth only, but all Things whatever, as Parts, Fame, &c. Which Solomon confirms: The Race is not to the Swift. And therefore, I presume to say, That if one of those good Days do not prove propitious, I fear they will not find that a cross one will: For if good Days be scarcely good, how malignant shall the evil be?

Some may be very incredulous in this Point: If they 'ts so, then the best Physick I can prescribe for their Infidelity, is, if they dare venture, to attempt to bring Actions begun on a cross Day, to an happy End: I dare say, they will purchase their Experience at a dear Rate.

Allowing the Beginning to seem glorious, the Progress prosperous also; but mark the End: For we find a bright Morning often to turn to a dark Day and wet Evening. Remember the Evening crowns the Day, and the End its Works: Yet, I must confess, the strange Luck of the Fortunate is very unaccountable; and one would think, The Fortunate have their Days, and those they chuse; The Unfortunate have but Hours, and those they lose.

For Fortune doth so stuff her Favourites, who are commonly Knaves or Fools, that she leaves them no room for Art or Honesty, as one might venture to swear, by their Actions.

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*An Observation on four Signs, and their Natives.*

I Fear that the Years 1707 and 1708, will not prove very propitious to those People, who had  $\Pi$ ,  $\text{♈}$ ,  $\text{♎}$ ,  $\text{♏}$  on there Horoscope or ascendant, by reason of  $\text{♈}$ , and  $\text{♎}$ , Transiting  $\Pi$ , will at the same time, dart their most malignant Beams of opposition, on  $\text{♈}$ , and their quartil's on  $\text{♎}$  and  $\text{♏}$ . So that which may affect the Health of the Natives of  $\Pi$  and  $\text{♈}$ , will at the same time also indanger the Honours or Reputations of those Born under  $\text{♎}$  and  $\text{♏}$  by Scandalous Reports, rais'd by Slanderers and evil Minded People, very much to their Detriment, by causing them to lose their Posts, Places, Impleys, or Trade, &c. Which I fear will make the Natives very sensible thereof. The worst time in this Year will be about a Week before and after the 18 of May, 31 of August, 13 and 26 of September, and the 15 of November. These may give the cause of their Misfortunes, which will appear by their unhappy Effects following.

And although the Natives of these Signs, which are all partly or positive Enemies one to each other, yet however they all participate of one anothers Miserjes as Friends. A Description of the four Signs Natives.

$\Pi$  Which stands for *Gemini*, is an Airy Sign, and the House of  $\text{♊}$ , giving the Native a Proper stature, a sanguin complexion, but swarthy Dark-brown Hair, a Hazle Eye, full of Activity, a Lover of Musick, and Ingenious, but Covetous, to his Shame be it spoken. Let these beware of the aforesaid Days, that they do nothing, to indanger their Health.

$\text{♈}$  Or *Sagitary*, the House of  $\text{♐}$ . It gives the Native thereof a strong well Proportioned Body, and Tall. A comely Countenance, with an indifferent long Visage, and Sanguine Complexion, Brown Hair, &c. He may fear to partake of the same Misfortunes as aforesaid, as many did, I fear, viz. The Beginning of September last past, or in 1706, by giving them *Quartan Agues*, and such ling'ring Distempers, which will go very hard with many under  $\Pi$  and  $\text{♈}$ . *♎-Virgo*

♍ *Virgo*, the House of ♍, is a melancholy Sign : It gives the Natives a slender Body, of an equal and good Proportion, long smooth Hair, of a very dark Brown, or Black, long Visage ; not beautiful, but comely, discrete, and ingenious, who will this Year, or next, be blurr'd in Reputation, I fear, by some envious, base, and fly, slanderous Persons, who deserve not to possess a Tongue, who may be the Cause of those Mischiefs ; let them beware of aged People also.

♋ *Pisces* gives a short Stature, not very decent, black Hair, pale Complexion, thick Shoulders, Body fleshy : Let them expect the same Misfortunes as aforesaid.

*Note*, Those who are now but 30 Years of Age, need not fear these Evils, because they are Natives of the same Positions, for it will be rather better with them.

**L**ET therefore all Persons of Quality avoid Action in those Days which are said to be cross to them, with whom I include the Clergy, Baristers, Gentry, &c. Let the Amorous also avoid these unfortunate Times.

*Let Matters of great Moment and Consequence, such as Marriage, a Voyage, long Journey, hiring an House, making Contracts, sealing Deeds, removing or opening Shops, beginning or commencing an Art or Trade, be all attempted in favourable Points of Time.*

**F**ROM hence, you carping Momus's, hence, be gone To your deserv'd Center, Acheron.

*Keep Court with Pluto, by the Stygian Lake ;*

*'Tis not for you of Heaven to partake,*

*Whose Sorded Minds tend to your Mother Earth,*

*A Badge of your Extraction, and first Birth :*

*Whose vip'rous Tongues abuse the Sons of Art,*

*When Knowledge to the blear-ey'd World th' impart.*

*Let all such know, that 'tis not my Intent*

*To teach fine Learning to the Eloquent,*

*Or to the Learned Skill ; nor to conduct*

*More able Guides ; in Art but to instruct :*

*But to the Ignorant, this to be a Guide*

*To Paths of Knowledge, which they never try'd ;*

*For only such, who have not known the way,*

*I hope you'll find it true, the best, I say,*

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# January 31.

Full ● the 7 Day, at a quarter past 4 in the Morning.  
New ☽ 22 Day, at a quarter past 6 at Night.

- 1 By this, my Friends, both far and near,
- 2 I wish you all a happy Year.
- 3 A good Day for Love.
- 4 A happy Day.
- ⑥ The Child born. Impediment in Speech. And Rickety.
- 6 } Indifferent.
- 7 }
- 8 Crofs.
- 9 To Good inclin'd.
- 10 Good.
- 11 Good in all. In Love the like.
- ⑥ Note, This ⑥ always stands for *Sunday*.
- 13 Indifferent.
- 14 }
- 15 } Crofs in the Child born. 16 Weakly or short-liv'd.
- 16 } 16 crofs to take a Voyage. Dangerous to fall sick.
- 17 Good. In Love good also.
- 18 Good.
- ⑥
- 20 To good inclin'd.
- 21 Good.
- 22 Crofs. A dangerous Day to fall sick in.
- 23 To Quality very crofs.
- 24 To Good inclin'd.
- 25 A happy Day in all things, consequently in Love.
- ⑥
- 27 Good.
- 28 } All three crofs by Sea and Land.
- 29 }
- 30 } Very dangerous to bleed in.
- 31 Good.

# February 28.

Full ● 5 Day, at 6 at Night.  
New ☽ 22 Day, at a quarter past 6 at Night.

- 1 Very cros for any of Quality to obtain Favour of the  
 ② (Queen. Cros in Love.
- 3 The Child born, will have an Impediment in Speech :  
 4 Cros. (In Love cros.
- 5 Cros, and dangerous to let Blood or fall sick.
- 6 A joyful Day. Queen *Ann* born.
- 7 Very good in Love.
- 8 Very good.
- ⑨
- 10 Good.
- 11 Cros.
- 12 Cros.
- 13 Cros, and dangerous to let Blood.
- 14 Good. *Valentine*.
- 15 Good. In Love the like.
- ⑩
- 17 Good.
- 18 Good.
- 19 Cros for Persons of Quality to travel.
- 20 Cros, and dangerous to fall sick.
- 21 Indifferent.
- 22 Good, the like in Love.
- ⑪
- 24 Tolerable. (man Exercise.
- 25 Day of barbarous Practices to Cocks. A base inhu-
- 26 } Dangerous to fall sick.
- 27 } Rather cros than good. Very dangerous to bleed.
- 28 }

*Note.* The best Day in this Year, may prove the worst  
in the next.

March

# March 31.

Full ● 7 Day, at half an Hour past 9 in the Morning.  
New ☽ 22 Day, at half an Hour past 6 at Night.

- 1 Good, but not in Love.
- 2 The first in *Lent*. (Tricker, or Knave inclin'd.
- 3 Both good and bad. The Child born now, will be a
- 4 Let not Blood. [Note, I always mean in the Arm.]
- 5 Inclin'd to be cros. (Impediment in Speech, if it lives.
- 6 Very cros. The Child born sickly, or short lived, and
- 7 This the same; both dangerous to bleed, or to fall  
(sick; in Danger of Death.
- 8 A very good Day; in Love the same also. The Child
- 9 2 in *Lent*. (b. will be just, generous, and courageous.
- 10 Cros in Love.
- 11 Indifferent.
- 12 Tolerable, but cros to bleed in.
- 13 Good; the like in Love.
- 14 Cros to bleed in, and very cros for any thing.
- 15 Still cros.
- 16 3 in *Lent*. (their Wives.
- 17 Good. There will be Quarrels between Husbands and
- 18 Cros to the Quality, but not to all.
- 19 Cros inclin'd. To let Blood cros.
- 20 Tolerable.
- 21 Cros to bleed.
- 22 A small Eclipse of the ☉ at 8 in the Morning.
- 23 4 in *Lent*.
- 24 } Very cros to the Quality. Very dangerous to let
- 25 } *Lady-Day*. (Blood in.
- 26 Good.
- 27 Dangerous to bleed in. Tolerable in Love;
- 28 Cros.
- 29 Tolerable.
- 30 5 in *Lent*.
- 31 A very good Day.

April

# April 30.

Full ● 6 Day, at half an Hour past 1 in the Morning  
New ☽ 21 Day, at half an Hour past 2 in the Morning

- 1 Cross to bleed ; in Love the like.
- 2 Tolerable.
- 3 Cross to bleed.
- 4 Cross.
- 5 The Child born towards Night, sickly, or short liv'd
- 6 Palm-Sunday. ☽ Eclipsed at 12 at Night.
- 7 Cross. The Child born with Impediment in Speech.
- 8 Cross to bleed in.
- 9 Cross in Love.
- 10 A good Day.
- 11 Good, but not to bleed in.
- 12 Good in Love.
- 13 Easter.
- 14 A little cross. The Child born effeminately inclin'd
- 15 Cross to bleed ; cross also to the Quality.
- 16 A good Day ; in Love the same.
- 17 Good.
- 18 Cross to bleed.
- 19 Good.
- 20 1 after Easter.
- 21 Cross.
- 22 Very dangerous to bleed, and will be this 3 Days.
- 23 St. George. Faintly inclin'd to Good, but not in Love
- 24 Good, but not to bleed. Child born will be very ingenu-  
(nious, as well as generous)
- 25 Very dangerous to bleed ; I fear, by unskilful Men  
(many will be lam'd thereby, this Year)
- 26 Good ; and the like in Love.
- 27 2 after Easter.
- 28 Cross ; and let not Blood.
- 29 A good Day, but not in Love.
- 30 Term begins. Good.



# May 31.

Full ● 5 Day, at 6 in the Afternoon.

New ☽ 20 Day, at half at Hour past 9 in the Morning.

- 1 Good ; but cros in Love. (mark the worst Days.
- 2 Crops to bleed in, as indeed is all this Spring ; but I
- 3 The Child born will have a Defect in its Speech.
- ④ 3 after *Easter*.
- 5 The Child born, sickly, or short liv'd.
- 6 Crops to bleed.
- 7 A good Day.
- 8 Crops in Love.
- 9 Crops to bleed.
- 10 Good ; but cros to bleed.
- ⑤ 4 after *Easter*.
- 12 Good in Love ; but cros for the Quality.
- 13 Crops to bleed.
- 14 Inclining to Good.
- 15 A very happy Day ; the same also in Love.
- 16 Very good.
- 17 Crops to let Blood in.
- ⑥ 5 after *Easter*.
- 19 A very bad Day for a Birth, to bleed, or fall sick in.
- 20 Good ; but dangerous to bleed in.
- 21 Good in Love.
- 22 Good.
- 23 } A Girl that is born about this time, will be a lit-
- 24 } tle covetously inclin'd.
- ⑦ 6 after *Easter*.
- 26 Crops to bleed.
- 27 Inclined to Good.
- 28 } Both good Days ; but the Child born will be hy-
- 29 } pocritically inclin'd.
- 30 Tolerable.
- 31 Crops, both to bleed, and for Love.

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June

# June 30.

Full ☉ 4 Day, near 9 in the Morning.  
New ☾ 18 Day, at 4 in the Afternoon.

- ⊙ *Whit Sunday.* (if it lives.
- 2 The Child born will have an Impediment in Speech,
- 3 This much of the same Nature.
- 4 A good Day ; the same for Love. To fall sick, dan-
- 5 Good in Love. (gerous.
- 6 Good.
- 7 A Defect in the Speech of the Child born ; and I wish
- ⊙ (in their Honesty there be not the same.
- 9 Good ; yet cros for Persons of Quality.
- 10 Crops to bleed.
- 11 *St. Barnaby.*] Good in Love.
- 12 A very good Day ; in Love good also.
- 13 This is of the same Nature.
- 14 Good in Love.
- ⊙
- 16 Crops to bleed in.
- 17 Good ; but cros to bleed.
- 18 Crops.
- 19 Faintly good.
- 20 Good.
- 21 Good and cros both.
- ⊙
- 23 Both good and cros.
- 24 *Mid-Summer.*] Good ; but not in Love.
- 25 *St. James.*] Good a little.
- 26 Good. The Child born will not marry while very
- 27 Good. (young.
- 28 Good ; but a little cros.
- ⊙
- 30 Crops ; the same in Love.

# July 31.

Full ● 3 Day, past 11 at Night.

New ☾ 18 Day, past 1 in the Morning.

- 1 Good.
- 2 *Tern* ends. Inclined to be crows.
- 3 Dangerous to fall sick towards Night.
- 4 Crows. Child born, will have a bad Speech.
- 5 Indifferent.
- 6
- 7 Crows.
- 8 Good; but in Love not so.
- 9 Good; in Love the like.
- 10 Good.
- 11 Crows in the Forenoon; but good after.
- 12 Indifferent.
- 13
- 14 Crows. To bleed, dangerous.
- 15 Good; the like for Love.
- 16 Good.
- 17 Crows.
- 18 Indifferent.
- 19 The *Dog-Stars*, or *Dog-Days* begin. Both crows and kind.
- 20
- 21 } All four more good than
- 22 } crows.
- 23 }
- 24 }
- 25 Good in Love.
- 26 Something crows.
- 27
- 28 Inclining to Good.
- 29 } Good, but not in Love.
- 30 }
- 31 Crows. The Child born, will be passionately inclined, having a bad Speech, and worse Meditations.

# August 31.

Full ● 2 Day, at Noon.

New ☽ 16 Day, at a quarter past 11 in the Forenoon.

Full ● 31 Day, near 12 at Night.

- 1 Indifferent. (Quality.
- 2 Crops to fall sick, dangerous for Death. Crops for
- ③
- 4 The Child born will have a Defect in his Speech.
- 5 Dine with the Lady you love, if possible.
- 6 Good in most Things.
- 7 Good.
- 8 Very good.
- 9 Crops for Persons of Quality ; the like for Mariners
- ⑩ Dangerous to bleed. (to set Sail.
- 11
- 12 } Good; in Love the same.
- 13 }
- 14 Very good in Love.
- 15 Crops.
- 16 Good ; the same for Persons of Quality.
- ⑪
- 18 Good in Love.
- 19 Very good in Love.
- 20 A happy Day ; but not in Love.
- 21 Crops. (but not the old Folk's Favour.
- 22 Those that begin now to love, may win the young,
- 23 Crops for the Quality.
- ⑫ St. Bartholomew. Crops to bleed.
- 25 Crops.
- 26 A fortunate Day for most ; but not in Love.
- 27 Very good.
- 28 The Child born, will be more crafty than kind.
- 29 Indifferent.
- 30 Inclining to be all crops. The Child born, cannot live
- ⑬ Very crops to bleed. (2 Days, I think. Septem-

# September 30.

New ☾ 14 Day, half an Hour past 11 at Night.  
Full ☉ 30 Day, at 11 at afore Noon.

- 1 Cross.
- 2 Very good ; in Love the same.
- 3 } Good in Love.
- 4 } Very good.
- 5 Good ; but not to bleed in.
- 6 Now cros.
- ⑦
- 8 Good ; in Love the like.
- 9 }
- 10 } Good all five.
- 11 }
- 12 } (in these 3 Weeks.
- 13 } The Child is hypocritical and envious, that is born
- ⑧
- 15 }
- 16 } Indifferent.
- 17 }
- 18 Good ; and the same in Love.
- 19 Indifferent.
- 20 Crops to bleed in, of which I shall say no more ; for  
(mad People need not bleed now.
- ⑨
- 22 Crops.
- 23 Good and crops mixed ; in Love tolerable.
- 24 Good ; the same in Love.
- 25 } Good.
- 26 }
- 27 Crops.
- ⑩
- 29 } Very cros. The Child born will be sickly, and
- 30 } defective in Speech.

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# October 31.

New ☽ 14 Day, at 3 in the Afternoon.

Full ● 29 Day, at half an Hour past 10 at Night.

- 1 } Favourable.
- 2 } Good in Love.
- 3 } Good ; the like in Love.
- 4 } Good ; but not to bleed in.
- ⑤
- 6 } Tolerable.
- 7 } Good ; the same in Love.
- 8 } Good ; the same in Love.
- 9 } Favourable.
- 10 } Favourable.
- 11 } Favourable.
- ⑫
- 13 } Very good in Love.
- 14 } Crofs for most Things.
- 15 } Crofs for most Things.
- 16 } Crofs for most Things.
- 17 } Crofs for most Things.
- 18 } Tolerably good.
- ⑲
- 20 } Good.
- 21 } Good.
- 22 } Crofs.
- 23 } Term begins. Good.
- 24 } Term begins. Good.
- 25 } Crofs for the Quality.
- ⑳
- 27 } Indifferent.
- 28 } Indifferent.
- 29 } A very crofs time for most Things, as to fall sick.
- 30 } or for a Birth, &c.
- 31 } A very crofs time for most Things, as to fall sick.

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# November 30.

New ☽ 13 Day, near 9 in the Morning.

Full ● 29 Day, at half an Hour past 7 in the Morning.

- 1 Inclining to be very good in general, so consequently  
(in Love.
- 2
- 3 Good.
- 4 } Crofs.
- 5 }
- 6 }
- 7 A very good Day ; in Love the same.
- 8 Good still.
- 9
- 10 } Of small Force, whether good or crofs.
- 11 }
- 12 More crofs than kind.
- 13 Indifferent in Love.
- 14 } But mean.
- 15 }
- 16
- 17 } Very good.
- 18 }
- 19 In Love good.
- 20 Good and crofs.
- 21 } Crofs. The Child born, the Intellecks but very
- 22 } mean.
- 23
- 24 Good.
- 25 Very good ; but not in Love.
- 26 Good.
- 27 Crofs to fall sick on, or for a Birth.
- 28 Term ends. Crofs.
- 29 Favourable.
- 30 *Advent-Sunday.*

*Note,* The best, or most fortunate Day in this Year,  
may chance to prove the worst in the next ; so that 'tis  
the Nature of Times to change. De-

# December 31.

New ☽ 13 Day, at a little past 4 in the Morning.  
Full ● 27 Day, near half an Hour past 5 at Night.

- 1 } Good for Love doth this Month begin,  
2 } Which brings the Year unto its End.  
3 } Cross and Kind,  
4 } Together join'd.  
5 }  
6 Good.  
⑦ Indifferent.  
8 }  
9 } Many there be, who sick do lie,  
10 } In this same Week will surely die.  
11 } Many abroad the Week before,  
12 } About this Time for Health give o'er.  
13 }  
⑧ }  
15 } But now the Heav'n grows more mild,  
16 } Renders to most a gracious Smile.  
17 }  
18 } But now they become more severe,  
19 } Which behoves all to have a Care.  
20 }  
⑨ *St. Thomas.*  
22 } Now the Heavens do favour show  
23 } To many Mortals here below. (speaks in Rhime.  
24 } And now draws near the merry Time, The Oracle  
25 He that's a Niggard all the Year beside,  
26 Will revel now, and for no Cost will spare;  
27 For now hang Sorrow, let the World go slide;  
⑩ For every Cöbler like a King will fare.  
29 And as it doth to a Period grow,  
30 A loving Smile to most doth show,  
31 Which by its Acts they'll find and know. }  
So kindly bidding all adieu,  
Is the Oracles laſt Speech to you.

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